jumped out of a burning Suburban train at Bagajatin Station in the Sealdah Division of the Eastern Railway recently; and

(b) if so, what was the cause of the accident?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Four persons were run over and killed by a suburban train at Bagajatin station of Sealdah Division of Eastern Railway when they jumped from the off side on noticing emission of smoke from a coach of EMU local SL 237.

(b) The cause of the smoke emission in the coach was due to rupture of cables carrying power current.

Private buses under D.T.C. Operation

2016. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted recently regarding the growing incidence of road accidents caused by private buses under DTC Operation;

(b) if so, what are the findings of the survey;

(c) whether it is a fact that in most of the private buses under DTC operation, drivers are required to ply their buses for 16 hours in a day without any relief; and

(d) whether the Delhi Transport Corporation has laid down any guidelines or terms and conditions to be followed by the operators of private buses under DTC operation regarding the duty hours of the drivers and the condition of the buses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) A recent study by the Delhi Traffic Police revealed that most of the drivers of P.O. buses under D.T.C. worked, in single shifts of 16-18 hours a day without any rest/relief.

(c) and (d) Section 65 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, stipulates that no person shall cause or allow any person who is employed by him for the purpose of driving a Transport Vehicle to work for more than 8 hours in one day. As per terms of the Agreement between DTC and the Private Bus Operators, the latter are required to abide by all the statutory provisions. At the time of engagement of the private bus, the operator is required to furnish particulars and copies of photographs of two drivers employed by him.

Development of sports in educational institutions

2017. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any comprehensive plan has been prepared by Government for development of sports in the Schools and other educational institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the incentives proposed to be given for development of sports in the rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c) With a view to promoting development of sports in schools and other educational institutions including those located in rural areas, sports and physical education have been made an integral part of the learning process and will be included in the evaluation of performance as provided in the National Policy on Education 1986. Meanwhile, certian new schemes for promotion of sports in schools and colleges are already in operation and among these might be mentioned incentive scheme for promotion of sports and games in schools through prize money, the National Sports Talent Search Contest, the National Sports Organisation Scheme;

National Talent Search Scholarships etc. Besides, many other schemes of the Department and the State Governments also benefit school children alongwith others.

Roads on National Highway 5 between Ongole-Medarametla and Tangutur

2018. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of the roads between Ongole-Madarametla and Ongole-Tangutur on National Highway 5 is very bad and that the roads need immediate repairs; and

(b) if so, by when the repair work on these roads is likely to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) These stretches are maintained in a traffic worthy condition.

(b) Flood damage repair estimates amounting to Rs. 19.215 lakhs for Ongole-Medarametla Section were sanctioned early 1986. Further estimates amounting to Rs. 272.79 lakhs for strengthening of the stretches between Tangutur and Ongole including Ongole byepass have also been sanctioned during 1985 and 1986. The State PWD have been asked to take up these works on priority basis.

Four Lane Roads between Vijayawada and Guntur on National Highway No. 45

2019. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to construct four lane roads between Vijayawada and Guntur on National Highway 45; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Seventh Five-Year Plan provides for widening to four lanes Vijayawada-Guntur-Ongole Section (120 kilometres) at a cost of Rs. 60 crores. This work is proposed to be posed to the World Bank for assistance The Annual Plan 1986-87 provides for land acquisition from Km. 408.200 to 420.449.

Violation of laws by foreign airlines

2020. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'Indian Express' of the 26th June, 1986, under the caption "violation of laws by foreign airlines alleged";

(b) whether it is a fact that three persons belonging to the German Border Force travelled by the said airlines and moved in the maximum security areas of the country,

(c) whether it is also a fact that a fresh batch had been deployed recently by the same airlines for the second time in similar circumstances; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government has no information as to whether three persons belonging to German Border Force travelled by the said airline and moved in the maximum security areas of the country.

(d) Does not arise.

Malaria in Delhi

2021. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a high incidence of malaria in New Delhi and if so, what are the details thereof;